

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions,  
and listings, of claims in the application:

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LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (previously presented) A disk drive unit with which  
a disk medium is to be mounted for access, wherein  
in the vicinity of a disk insertion and discharge slot  
of a panel into and from which said disk medium is inserted and  
discharged, a felt member for concealment is provided which has a  
slit for insertion of the disk medium along a longitudinal  
direction of said discharge slot, and  
a plurality of slits are provided for every  
predetermined interval in a direction perpendicular to said slit  
of said felt member.

2. (currently amended) The disk drive unit as set forth  
in claim 1, wherein a ~~non-deformable~~ member for preventing  
scratches of said disk medium projects from an edge portion of  
said disk insertion and discharge slot so as to face said disk  
medium.

3. (original) The disk drive unit as set forth in claim  
2, wherein said scratch prevention member is formed to be convex  
and is disposed at the edge portion of said disk insertion and  
discharge slot so as to slightly project to the side of said disk  
insertion and discharge slot so that only a part of a data